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May 10, 1999

Marion Birch Continental Minerals 2389 SE Coal Creek Road Price, Utah 84501

Re:

Notice of File Closure for Small Mining Activities, Continental Minerals, Inc., Pine Ridge #1-#4, S/037/104, San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Birch:

On February 18, 1998, we received a copy of your notice from the US Forest Service to commence small mining operations for your Pine Ridge #1-#4 project. The project was to be located in Section 4, T29S, R25E, San Juan County, Utah. You were notified by the Division in a March 5, 1998 letter that the notice was deficient. On July 30, 1998, we received your request to inspect the site and close out the file because the project would not be commencing and you would not be paying the permit fee for this project.

The deficiencies identified in the Division's March 5, 1998 letter were never addressed. In an April 19, 1999 phone conversation, the USFS informed us that no new disturbances had been created. This letter is to notify you that the Division file #S/037/104, for the Pine Ridge #1-4 project, located in San Juan County, Utah, will now be closed.

You are not required to pay the \$100.00 permit fee as requested in the billing recently sent to you. If you wish to conduct future mining in this area, you will need to submit a new notice to the appropriate agency, pay the Division permit fees, and receive written approval(s) prior to creating any disturbance.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this action, please contact me at (801) 538-5267.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Gallegos

Senior Reclamation Specialist

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